Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday. January 1, 1934. Overcast.

The delightful landscape of snow was rather appropriate for the first day of 1934, but it nearly disappeared when the temperature rose today, along with a light rain in the evening.

Miss Muriel de Mille is starting the new year with a month's vacation, which she plans to spend at her home in Framingham.

With the Christmas festivities over, plans are now underway for the "Gay Nineties" ball which is to be held tomorrow evening. This affair, the "grande finale" of the dancing lessons, has been looked forward to for a long time and should prove a huge success.

The Mc Laughlin barn which has been vacant for a number of months is now housing twelve head of young cattle and a Devon bull, being moved from the Eyekill Farm barn.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, January 2, 1934. Pleasant.

The cold weather of the past week has caused a large quantity of wood to be burned in order to keep the Inn comfortable for guests. The wood choppers of the estate are working at top speed to keep us supplied in fuel.

The regular monthly inventory was taken today of the pantry and kitchen.

Mr. J. S. Whittemore of Boston was host at the Inn this evening to a party of fifteen friends. After enjoying an old kitchen dinner the group spent the remainder of the evening watching the dancing at the ball.

The "Gay Nineties Ball" started at eight-thirty with a grand march. Because this event was so unique and will be long remembered, moving pictures were taken of the gathering as each couple passed the orchestra. The prize for the lady wearing the most typical costume was awarded to Miss Helen Hurd; and for the gentleman the most properly attired, the prize went to Mr. Charles Way of Sudbury, Mr. Curtis receiving honorable mention.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, January 3, 1934. Cloudy.

WHY IT PAYS TO READ

The late Thomas A. Edison once said: "I read fifty-two trade journals, the leading newspapers printed in this section, and a varied number of books every month."

Mr. Edison was a smart man and a successful man.

Clean, constructive reading nourishes our intellect and sharpens our thinking. It stimulates our imagination. It broadens our vision. It opens new avenues of information. It increases our value and makes us worth more to our employer.

You will generally find that the worker who has succeeded to a better job, or been advanced to overseer or foreman, is a man who reads.

Such a worker is more capable of thinking for himself and less inclined to let some "windjammer" control him.

Reading will, of course, never take the place of doing, but it enables us to travel twice as far with half the effort. [Industry and Labor

The three schools on the estate reopened today, bringing to a close the Christmas vacation. Many of the Redstone children seemed to have really waited for the reopening, so as to tell their chums about the presents they received and the general good time they had on Christmas day.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, January 4, 1934. Overcast.

COLONIAL ROAST TURKEY

Mrs. Katherine F. Clark of Mt. Vernon street, Beacon Hill, roasting a turkey in a sheet metal oven that has been used annually by her family for 115 years. The demonstration of open-fire roasting such as was done in Colonial days was at the Women's City Club. The turkey was roasted in four hours.

This clipping illustrates the method used here at the Inn to roast a loin of beef for an old kitchen dinner.

"Jackson", one of our pet canaries, was taken down from his regular station at the bay window in the original dining room and placed in the bar room so as to avoid a possible draft.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, January 5, 1934. Rain, turning to sleet.

This was one of the most unpleasant days we have had this winter. The heavy rain and sleet storms throughout the day caused the snow already on the highways to turn to a glare of ice, making all modes of travel dangerous and difficult.

The Redstone and Southwest school children seemed well pleased to start their dancing classes again this afternoon after being away for a short time.

The Boys School dancing classes were resumed this evening. Because of the bad weather only a few girls attended this lesson so the boys had an opportunity for individual attention.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday. January 6. 1934. Warm.

Today, "Little Christmas," is the last day for the season's decorations to be kept on display, so the wreaths and treks about the Inn were all taken down today, in keeping with this tradition.

This evening a Mr. C. D. Hart of Wellesley and a party of five guests gathered around the fire in the old kitchen, after dinner, to discuss the poet Longfellow and his "Tales of a Wayside Inn."

It was a pleasant surprise to have more guests than usual at this time of year, stop to have tea during the afternoon.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, January 7, 1934. Rain.

The customary tour of the countryside on Sundays that is made by a great many New Englanders was either hindered or stopped today because of a steady downpour of rain.

The few families that ventured to come out to the Wayside Inn found plenty of warmth, comfort and hospitality awaiting their arrival. On days such as these it is always interesting to note that to most children it is a new and novel experience to dry and warm themselves before an open fire, probably never before seeing a real fireplace.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday, January 8, 1934. Pleasant.

ASHES ON THE HEARTH

This may not sound like good housekeeping but——. Persons experienced in running a big fireplace in which wood is burned find it convenient and economical to let the ashes accumulate, almost indefinitely, rather than to keep the hearth clean. A good example of that domestic practice may be found at the Wayside Inn at South Sudbury, where on cold days a hot fire is kept going on top of a mound of ashes nearly as high as the uprights of the andirons.

Fireplaces are not so managed merely because it is a bother to remove the ashes, but because that is the most efficient way. The body of the ashes holds fire a long time and will continue to radiate heat after the wood is consumed. A fire can be covered over with the ashes at night and be hot and lively when raked out in the morning. Or even if it is not covered there are likely to be enough coals to make it easy to start a fire in the morning.

There is one other reason for keeping the fire high on a mound of ashes in certain kinds of fireplaces. In many old houses hereabouts there are fireplaces which are tall and shallow. With the bed high there is less likelihood of smoking if a big fire is built and there also seems to be a stronger radiation of heat. So there are several strong reasons against the neat way of doing things. [Springfield Republican

The fireplaces here at the Inn have always been a topic for discussion. Some of our guests are amazed that our fires go at all with such a large bed of ashes in each fireplace, others give suggestions, while the majority after having the purpose of the ashes explained, generally resolve to let the ashes accumulate in their fireplace at home.

Whenever the subject of the proper care of fireplaces is discussed nowadays, it is not uncommon to hear the Wayside Inn referred to as having the standard fireplaces.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, January 9, 1934. Fair.

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Wayside Inn Neighborhood Dance Course

DIRECTED BY ALBERT HAYNES OF SUDBURY

JANUARY 9TH TO APRIL 3RD, 1934

PLEASE PRESENT THIS TICKET AT THE DOOR

With the first course of twelve lessons on old-fashioned dancing a real success, Mr. Haynes has started a second course, the first class being held this evening.

After the dance, the moving pictures that have been taken of various occasions since last June, including the "Christmas Nativity Pageant" and the "Gay Nineties Ball" were shown for the first time.
The "Gay Nineties" was the feature of the evening, everyone thoroughly enjoying the effect of the costumes worn by the participants.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, January 10, 1934. Fair.

"The girls of the Southwest School had a sewing lesson at the Inn this afternoon. These girls are making wonderful progress on their knitted scarfs under the capable guidance of Mrs. Jackson."

Mr. Kenneth Howe of Marlboro, recent bandmaster and music teacher at the Boys School, is critically ill at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. The boys all admire Mr. Howe for the effort he made to organize a school orchestra, and his personal interest in his pupils. The boys, and everyone on the estate wish him a speedy recovery.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, January 11, 1934. Pleasant.

The students of the Boys School are kept busy at this time of the year traversing the orchard, and the estate in general to destroy the bothersome gypsy moths. On rainy days at present the "farm crew" work in the cooling plant, grading the wonderful crop of potatoes that was harvested this fall.

The two pair of horses at the Inn barn are working daily. Mr. Walker, who handles the "greys," is hauling manure from the barns and emptying the loads near the various garden plots so as to have it ready for spreading as fertilizer in the spring. Mr. Spiller, the other teamster, is using the "bays" for hauling logs to the tractor-saw at the edge of the woods in the vicinity of the Ezekiel Howe estate.

Hayside Inn Journal.

Friday, January 12, 1934. Pleasant.

The school children, (Redstone and Southwest) had their regular dancing classes this afternoon. Both classes have shown great improvement since the beginning of the school year.

The Boys School classes were held in the evening as usual.

Saturday, January 13, 1934. Rain.

Although it rained hard today, the Executive Committee of the National Farm and Garden Association managed to hold its proposed meeting here to make plans for the coming year. Those members who were unable to attend this meeting, wired their opinions of the matters under discussion.

Mrs. Robert Frye and seven of her Marlboro friends had an old kitchen dinner this evening.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, January 14, 1934 Overcast.

Snapshots taken Christmas week.

This is the shed next to the General Store which was the scene of the nativity pageant. The manger is in the right front corner, and the "star of wonder" etc, maybe seen directly over the stable.

The Wayside Inn entrance. The greens, at night time, were prettily lighted.

Waipside Inn Journal.

Monday, January 15, 1934. Cloudy.

The Inn as it appeared about a week ago in a beautiful blanket of snow and ice.

Mr. Pease, manager of the Ford Plant in Somerville, came out to have luncheon with three guests this noon.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, January 16, 1934. — Pleasant.

The surface of the ice on Josephine Pond, just in back of the Inn, was scraped off this afternoon in preparing it for cutting tomorrow.

Mr. Ralph Sennett of the Somerville Branch of the Ford Motor Company made a business visit here today, calling on Mrs. Spicer.

We were interested to learn that one of our dinner guests this evening was a cousin to Secretary of the Treasury Woodin, and that he and his wife visited this tavern regularly during Mr. Lemon's reign.

A party of twelve men, salesmen and executives of the Washburn Wire Company of Worcester, stopped long enough to have a steak dinner this evening before going on to Boston to see a hockey game.

The second adult dancing class of the present series was held this evening. The introduction of the dance, the "Seaside Polka" was the feature of the lesson.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, January 17, 1934. Cold.

The annual harvesting of the Josephine Pond ice was started this noon. Approximately eight hundred and fifty cakes of ice were stored during the afternoon, the cakes being nine inches thick and twenty inches square.

Today's cold weather gives the impression that the recent pleasant spell is over for the time being, and that the real winter is here again.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, January 18, 1934. Cold.

A few of the boys at work on the Josephine Pond, pushing cakes of ice up the chute to the ice house. The average thickness of the ice today was twelve inches, increasing three inches overnight. The ice house was filled to its capacity today, approximately seventeen hundred cakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason and daughter, who are prominent in musical circles in Boston had dinner here this evening.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, January 19, 1934. Pleasant.

PASSED AWAY IN HARVARD

Family of Mrs. Ellen Thompson Once Owned Wayside Inn

Marboro.—Mrs. Ellen Maria (Herd) Thompson, aged 84 years, widow of Frank H. Thompson of Wayland, passed away yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs Ethel Schofield, Harvard.

She was a direct descendant of Roger Williams on her maternal side, and at one time her family owned the Wayside Inn. She was born in Wayland, daughter of the late Samuel Horace Mann Herd and the late Harriet Maria (Sherman) Herd. Besides her daughter, Mrs. Schofield, she is survived by eight other children, 26 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Schofield in Harvard. Burial will be in Stow.

In order to harvest all the ice from the pond, it was necessary to pack about two hundred cakes alongside the ice house, covering these with sawdust and hay.

The grammar schools held their weekly dancing classes at the Inn this afternoon, and the Boys School had their lessons in the evening as usual.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, January 20, 1934 - Pleasant.

Plans and preparations were completed today for the accomodation of the Universalist ministers who will arrive at the Inn tomorrow for their thirty-second annual retreat.

The retreat, which lasts for a period of three days, is looked forward to not only by the ministers but also by those at the Inn, for this is considered one of the biggest and most memorable events of each year.

A bridal couple came to stay overnight at this romantic spot this evening. A number of newlyweds have found it a novelty to stop here lately and spend a part of their honeymoon at the Inn.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, January 21, 1934. Fair.

One year has literally flown by since our Universalist minister friends gathered at the Wayside Inn for their annual retreat last January. The first members of this well-known group to arrive for the event this year, the thirty-second retreat, were Dr. Roger Ny of Medford and Dr. Albert Hammatt of Longmeadow, arriving just ahead of Dr. Tomlinson of Worcester who has prided himself with being the first to arrive in past years. Mrs. Spicer, Mrs. Bradbury, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis and Mr. Young attended the morning services at Dr. Tomlinson's church, and were at the Inn to give the first arrivals a hearty welcome.

A general busy atmosphere prevailed at the Inn throughout the day. Besides greeting the ministers and renewing acquaintances, the hostesses were busy taking care of the dinner guests and sightseers.

Wayside Inn Journal.
Sunday, January 21, 1934. Fair.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL RETREAT
THE WAYSIDE INN
SOUTH SUDBURY, MASS.

January 22, 23, 24, 1934.
Prior - Frater John Smith Lowe
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GENERAL THEME FOR RETREAT
"Working for a Decision""

Monday, January 22
4 P.M. Twilight Hour
"Making God Real"
Leader: Frederic W. Perkins

8 P.M.. Illustrated Reading
" The Green Pastures"
Wallace W. Rose

Tuesday, January 23
10 A.M. Business Meeting

11 A.M. "Making Jesus Effective"
Leader: Frank Oliver Hall

4 P.M. Twilight Hour
"Making Religion Indispensable"
Leader: James F. Albion

8 P.M. Old Fashioned Dance

Wednesday, January 24
10 A.M. "Making the Church Vital"
Leader: Seth R. Brooks

Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday, January 22, 1934. Cloudy.

The house was very much alive by eight o'clock this morning. The ministers, who seemed happy to be together once again, were all full of fun and frolic and were anxious to be up and doing things.

After breakfast, they sat around the fireplaces and smoked, devoting the morning to reminiscence.

As a new feature this year, Mr. Young invited the men to lunch at Dutton Lodge with the boys this noon. This was considered quite a treat as many of the group had never before visited the school. Dr. Sykes and Dr. Brooks kindly consented to say a few words to the boys, a fact which was greatly appreciated and enjoyed. Since Dr. Brooks is located but thirty miles from here he has consented to come out in the near future and give the boys an outlined talk.

Another new feature for the retreat was inaugurated this afternoon when Mrs. Spicer extended an invitation to the ministers to have tea at her

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Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday, January 22, 1934. Continued.

lovely home across from the General Store. Although the men were only able to stay a short time because the daily "Twilight Tour" was scheduled to start at four o'clock, they enjoyed every minute of their stay and thanked Mrs. Spicer heartily for her kindness and hospitality.

At six o'clock the "fraters" sat down to an old kitchen dinner, which was very much enjoyed.

In the evening the Boys School students assembled in the large dining (now a temporary hall) to listen to an illustrated reading, "The Green Pastures", delivered by Dr. Wallace Rose.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday. January 23, 1934. Rain.

Dr. Clarence Lowing of Gloucester will not be able to be here with his friends this year because of illness. With this one exception there will be a one hundred per cent attendance of last year's gathering.

The happenings of the day took place as outlined by the retreat program.

The most novel of the new features of the retreat that were inaugurated this year from the viewpoint of the participants, was the old-fashioned dance that was held this evening. The majority of the clergy had not danced for years, but once they attempted a quadrille or waltz and sensed the general friendliness of the gathering they soon forgot their inexperience and spent a very pleasant evening.

During intermission Dr. Sykes, in behalf of his colleagues, presented Dr. Fischer a loving cup, as a token of their affection and esteem for a "frater" who has attended this retreat for twenty-five years.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, January 24, 1934. Pleasant.

Today was the final day for a very happy and successful retreat.

At ten o'clock this morning Dr. Brooks gave his scheduled talk on the subject, "Making the Church Vital." The retreat was officially brought to a close by the customary communion service.

The majority of the ministers departed directly after luncheon, but before leaving impressed us with the fact that this retreat was one of the most enjoyable that they have ever attended.

Mr. J. H. Eddy of Newtonville who has sponsored a number of old kitchen dinners, was host at a birthday party here this evening. The guest of the occasion, who was celebrating his seventieth birthday, was the recipient of a beautiful cake which made a pretty picture all lighted up as it was being carried to the table.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday. January 25. 1934. Pleasant.

The Boys School "Flyer," a monthly journal containing news about school and the estate in general, seems to be a good seller at the Inn. Although the sheet is only in its preliminary stage, it is well written and contains interesting material.

The partridge berry plants as they are arranged in pewter plates on the dining room tables have attracted the attention of many of the guests, a few people even wished to buy a few plants to take home.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, January 26, 1934. Cloudy, with Snow.

The Redstone and Southwest children came to the Inn this afternoon for their regular dancing lessons.

The Boys School classes were held in the evening.

Saturday, January 27, 1934. Snow.

Ordinarily only a few school groups visit the Inn during the winter time so that it was a pleasant suprise to have two school parties today.

A party of nine boys from the Mt. Prospect School of Waltham came during the morning, and seven boys of the Washington Missionary College, Washington, D.C. came to see the building in the evening.

Mr. Wood of Boston, a frequent guest here lately, brought four guests, all public accountants, out to dinner this evening and spent about two hours roaming about the house.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday, January 29, 1934. Windy.

We experienced another radical New England change in weather last night when it suddenly grew colder and very windy.

During the day the high wind threatened to blow down signs, break windows and cause general destruction. The few people that ventured to come out to the Inn seemed content to remain near a blaying fireplace and keep warm.

Mrs. Clara Bradbury, our senoir hostess for the past two years, started a six week vacation today, planning to spend the greater part of her leave with her daughter in Miami, Florida. We shall greatly miss her presence at the Inn, but hope that she will have a pleasant stay so that she may return rested to carry on as before.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday. January 28. 1934. — Rain.

To the Memory of Mellie Dunham

Herald - (Old-Time Fiddler) Feb. 2, 1934

I think the angels' harps are hushed
In Heaven's golden ways;
I think the hymnals hesitate
When Mellie Dunham plays.
I'm sure the God of goodness does
Not move to interfere
When Mellie takes his fiddle out
And draws his bow, by ear,
Across the barn-dance tunes that cheered
The weary world below—
O, Heaven must be happier
His gentle soul to know,
And angels' toes must tap the gold
To Crockett Ridge's airs.
I see his ancient mackinaw
And shock of snowy hair;
And Mellie must dream of the folk
Who gaily swung and swayed
Across the dim-lit country halls
As he and Nathan played.
I think the angels' harps are hushed
In Heaven's golden ways;
I think the Oxford Hills still hear
When Mellie Dunham plays.

STANLEY FOSS BARTLETT.

Mellie Dunham is remembered at the Wayside Inn as playing his fiddle at an old-fashioned dance in the large ballroom when Mr. Henry Ford was visiting on January 26, 1929.

Another bridal couple are staying over this evening. The newlyweds are coming here more frequently lately not just for the quiet and peacefulness of the Inn but to be able to say that they spent a part of their honeymoon at this historic shrine.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, January 30, 1934. Cold.

Mrs. E. Richardson of Brookline who arrived at the Inn last Sunday, plans to remain here a week, due to the quiet and restful atmosphere of her surroundings. Mrs. Richardson has devoted the past two days to knitting a sweater for her baby girl, and from all appearances is enjoying her stay.

The Southwest School girls had their weekly sewing lesson this afternoon.

The adult dancing class has become noticeably small because of sickness, so it has been decided to combine the adult and senoir boys classes on Friday evenings, making it much nicer for both classes.

Wednesday, January 31, 1934. Windy

Although it was quite windy today, business was average, with nothing unusual or of particular importance taking place.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, February 1, 1934. Snow.

Miss Muriel de Mille returned from her six weeks vacation today and once again assumed the duties of hostess. Simultaneously, Miss Agnes London started on her leave of absence, leaving the affairs of the dining room to Miss Leva Gail.

A rather novel idea in salesmanship is being tried by Mr. S. L. Whitaker, president of the Malden Motor Company, a Ford agency. During the next few weeks Mr. Whitaker plans to sponsor a number of trips out to the Wayside Inn for various ladies clubs and social gatherings of Malden, riding out in new Fords. The groups will not be molested by sales talks whatever during the trip. It is Mr. Whitaker's sole intention to bring out to his guests the fine riding qualities and improvements of the new V-8 over previous models. It is, of course, not to be expected that all will be immediate buyers, but it is hoped that each group will tell their friends of their enjoyable ride in a 1934 Ford V-8.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday. February 1. 1934. Continued.

"The first of these parties, a group of sixteen club women, came out this afternoon. They were shown through the building and then enjoyed a tea served in the pleasant old dining room.

Judging from the enthusiasm displayed by this first group, Mr. Whitaker's undertaking should prove a huge success."

A party of sixteen young people enjoyed a dinner served in the old kitchen this evening. The party was sponsored by a Mr. Heitam of Brookline, as a farewell to one of the group who is about to be married.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday. February 2, 1934. - Pleasant.

The plows were busy today clearing the roads of about six inches of snow that fell yesterday and the boys were kept busy clearing the walks.

The little Redstone School children enjoyed a brisk walk to the Inn from the schoolhouse this afternoon to attend their dancing lesson.

The second old-fashioned kitchen dinner to be served this week was served to a party of six college students this evening. The group were guests of a Mrs. Platt of South Orange, New Jersey.

The first lesson of the newly combined adult and boys classes was held this evening.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday. February 3. 1934. Pleasant.

With intentions of having a kitchen dinner in the near future, Mrs. Richardson returned to Brookline this morning after enjoying a restful week at the Inn.

Because of the heavy snowfalls this winter that would ordinarily have buried the supply of wood for the boilers, which is generally kept at the rear of the Inn, the wood is being stored in the boiler room, allowing it to dry and also be handy in case of an extreme cold spell.

Mr. S. L. Whitaker, Jr. of the Malden Motor Company, accompanied by four salesmen, drove a group of fifteen Malden school teachers to the Inn this afternoon. As mentioned earlier this week, Mr. Whitaker, Jr. president of the Malden agency is sponsoring these trips in an endeavor to bring out to the public the fine qualities of the 1934 Ford car.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, February 4, 1934. Snow.

From all appearances there is to be plenty of snow and cold weather this winter, this fact being brought out quite forcibly by another storm today.

Two of our dinner guests were very much pleased with the snow storm since they were on their way to a tobogganing party in a nearby town.

Monday, February 5, 1934. Pleasant.

Miss Helen Hurd, a resident hostess at the Inn, was a substitute teacher at the Southwest School for a few hours this afternoon. Mrs. Bennett, the regular teacher, was taken sick with a cold and found it necessary to remain at home.

Mr. Edward Malin, who is connected with the Ford Motor Company in Detroit, arrived here this evening and plans to stay at the Inn for a short time.

Dr. Hanson of Belmont is evidently quite pleased with our dinner menu for he has come out for dinner regularly the past three days.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, February 6, 1934. Pleasant.

Since opportunities to use sleighs are so few and far between nowadays, Mr. Walker is taking advantage of the snow and is using a sleigh in place of a team to do his work about the farm.

Having doctored her cold and feeling much better, Mrs. Bennett resumed her teaching duties at the Southwest School today.

Dr. Roger Ety, one of the leaders of the recent Universalist ministers retreat held here, sent a letter of appreciation and thanks in behalf of his friends to all those at the Inn who made their stay so pleasant and successful. Dr. Ety had such an enjoyable time at the "Praters" old kitchen dinner when he was here that he is now arranging to come for another with a party of ten to fifteen.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, February 7, 1934. Cold.

Mr. Malin's visit came to an end this morning, he leaving the Inn at ten o'clock.

This afternoon the children of the Wayside Inn Schools gathered in the large dining room (which is still being used as a hall) to listen to Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait, a famous orthopedic specialist, give a "talk" on his chosen subject, "Posture". Dr. Goldthwait, who is very widely known, first became interested in the Boys School on one of his visits to the Inn, and was very pleased to be of assistance to the students. During his visit, he was the guest of Mrs. Spicer.

The salesmen of the Malden Motor Company, a Ford agency, drove another group of sixteen ladies to the Inn this afternoon to see the building and to have tea, in conjunction with their plan of demonstrating to prospective buyers the qualities of the new Ford car.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, February 8, 1934. Cold.

The supply of wood in the shed back of the Inn was noticeably smaller tonight than at the beginning of the day, because an unusual number of trips had to be made to the shed in order to keep the fires blazing and make the Inn comfortable.

Mr. Wiggins, proprietor of the Wiggins Tavern in Northampton, brought three guests out to see this inn, this evening. Being a lover of antiques, Mr. Wiggins likes to stop here and study our wonderful collection and also enjoys having his friends with him.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, February 9, 1934. - Extremely Cold.

Today proved to be the coldest day on record in the city of Boston. The temperature in Sudbury went as low as thirty-eight degrees below zero, and it did not go above zero all day.

The Redstone and Southwest Schools braved the elements to have sessions this morning, but found it too cold for comfort by noontime so the schools were dismissed for the remainder of the day, the children missing out on their weekly dancing classes which are held on Fridays.

The roads leading to Nobscot Mountain should be delightful for walking this summer, since the boys have cleared away the brush alongside the road.

The zero weather did not greatly effect the attendance of the adult and boys dancing classes this evening. The sea-side polka, which was learned a few weeks ago, has become the favorite dance of both classes.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, February 10, 1934. Warmer.

The continuous cold spell which has lasted since the first of February was finally broken today. The thermometer registered above zero again and the sun's rays seemed to have a warming effect once again.

Mrs. Roger Wolcott, wife of an ex-governor of this state, who has been coming here for years, stopped this noon with her son to have dinner.

The Malden Motor Company salesmen are making frequent trips with their selected groups of ladies, for the demonstration of their cars. Todays group, made the fourth trip that Mr. Whitaker is sponsoring.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowker of Worcester have resumed their weekly Saturday night visits to the Inn for dinner, after being away for three weeks due to sickness.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, February 11, 1934. Pleasant.

This was a very pleasant day, a goodly number of people coming out to the Inn. The good business was most likely due to the fact that there has been so much unfavorable weather this winter, every pleasant day being appreciated.

Two of our guests today were from Paris, France, on a visit of this country. Lately, there have been a number of guests from foreign lands so that it is no longer unusual to have these visits.

Monday, February 12, 1934 Pleasant.

Miss de Mille was busy today taking inventory of the Red-stone School supplies.

The wood choppers of the estate felled a great many large trees today. They averaged a thickness of two to three feet and had to be hauled to the saw mill to be cut.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, February 13, 1934. Snow.

Mr. Duggan and a group of boys shown shoveling snow in front of the gate house. They are carrying the snow from the parking space to the other side of the highway.

Mrs. Jackson held her regular sewing class this afternoon for the Southwest girls.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tancill of St. Louis, Missouri are remaining here this evening, anticipating to start for Chicago in the morning.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, February 14, 1934. Cold.

All thoughts and hopes of an early spring were shattered today after the temperature had dropped twenty to thirty degrees and was once again near zero.

St. Valentine's Day was observed in both the grammar schools as in past years. The valentines that the children had put in a box on the teacher's desk were distributed at the closing of the day. They not only exchanged greetings among themselves but also sent cards to people on the estate with whom they have become acquainted.

We were quite surprised this evening to welcome again Mr. and Mrs. Tancill our guests of last evening. Having had such an enjoyable stay they could not leave Massachusetts without making another visit with a Boston friend.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, February 15, 1934. Pleasant.

One of the parties that are being sponsored by Mr. Whitaker, shown as they were leaving the Inn last week.

A few of the salesmen of the Malden Motor Company who are driving these groups, and demonstrating in the meantime the qualities of their product, the new 1934 Ford V-8.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, February 16, 1934. Pleasant.

A. W. LONGFELLOW, ARCHITECT, IS DEAD

Port Pat. 1/34

Services Monday for Nephew Of Poet

Funeral services for Alexander Wadsworth Longfellow, 80, Boston architect and nephew of the poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, who died yesterday in Portland, will be held Monday afternoon at Mt. Auburn chapel, Cambridge.

He was born in Portland, the son of Alexander Wadsworth and Elizabeth (Porter) Longfellow, and was graduated from Harvard University in 1876. He also studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technolgy and in Paris.

The Carnegie Library in Pittsburgh and the Cambridge City Hall were designed by the firm of Longfellow, Alden and Harlow, in which he was senior partner. He later joined his brother, R. K. Longfellow, to design many New England structures, including the Phillips Brooks House, Semitic Museum, Arnold Arboretum, the Oliver Wendell Holmes and Abraham Lincoln schools in Boston, chemical laboratories at Harvard and dormitories at Radcliffe College, the original Boston Elevated railway stations and memorial chapel in Mountain cemetery, Yarmouth, N. S.

Mr. Longfellow was a former president of the Boston Marine Museum, a trustee of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Athenaeum, Boston Cooperative Building Company, a fellow of the A. I. A., and Boston Society of Architects, member of the American Federation of Arts' and Arts and Crafts Societies, the New England Genealogical Society, Massachusetts Branch of the

Mr. N. N. Taylor, who is commonly known in this section as the "antique collector" made a visit of the Inn today. He needed no guide since it was he who collected and set-up many of the pieces now in the building at the time Mr. Ford became the landlord in 1923.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, February 17, 1934.

The Malden Motor Company salesmen drove another party out today. The ride to the Inn was very pleasant, as was the visit.

Dr. Roger Ely of Medford was host at an old kitchen dinner this evening to a party of nine friends and relatives, the party coming as planned by correspondence a short time ago by Dr. Ely. The occasion was mainly for the purpose of celebrating the fifteenth anniversary of connection with the Universalist Society by one of Dr. Ely' staff.

The last day of the present week proved to be quite busy and encouraging, from the standpoint of business.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, February 18, 1934.

Mr. Briefer and a party of seven guests enjoyed an old kitchen dinner this evening. The guests, who were mainly from New York, found the dinner quite different from any they have ever had, so it was a novel affair.

Monday, February 19, 1934. Pleasant.

The season for goats seems to be here once again. The first goat of the year was born at the Lamson barn last week, and just last evening there was another arrival. It is hoped that eventually there will be goats enough to supply the necessary milk for the Boys School.

The Southwest and Redstone Schools are closed this week, the pupils enjoying the regular one week vacation which comes after every ten weeks of school.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday. February 20, 1934. Snow.

The snow storm which started last night and continued through today proved to be the worst storm that this section of the country has had for a number of years.

Approximately fifteen inches of snow fell, obstructing all the highways. The travelling was so extremely difficult and dangerous that not even the buses made their regular trips today.

Many of the employees on the estate were unable to come to work, but those living reasonably near came either on snowshoes or skiis. Everything was literally snowed under.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, February 21, 1934 Pleasant.

All efforts today were turned to clearing the roads of snow. The above picture shows a group of men and boys clearing the Post Road in front of the Inn. The road is quite narrow since it was impossible to push the snow any further because of its heaviness and depth.

Automobile travel off the main highway was impossible, so in order to go about his work, taking ashes, delivering, etc, Mr. Sagen hitched up a sleigh that was in one of the barns and went about his chores.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, February 22, 1934. Gray.

George Washington's birthday last year was a beautiful sunshiny day. This year's weather was quite a contrast as can be seen by the above picture which was taken yesterday. Although our surroundings were beautiful, with everything clad in snow, many of our guests were unable to make their holiday visit because of the difficult travelling.

Miss Frances Bryant, a student at Radcliffe College, Cambridge arrived at the Inn this afternoon, planning to spend the week-end in our pleasant surroundings.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, February 23, 1934 Cold.

Miss Frances Bryant.

Miss Jane Mustard, a college chum of Miss Bryant's, joined Miss Bryant there today and plans to enjoy the winter sports over the week-end with her.

Although this is vacation week, the grammar school children were brought to the Inn for their dancing lessons today.
The adult and boys classes were held in the evening.

Wayside Inn Journal.
Saturday, February 24, 1934. Cold

Two views of the Inn as it looked after the storm.

Dr. Goldthwaite, who recently lectured to the students of our schools, was host to a party of ten friends at a luncheon today.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, February 25, 1934. Cloudy.

Miss Frances Bryant and her companion, Miss Jane Mustard, are spending a pleasant week-end at the Inn.
This noontime the ever hospitable Mrs. Spicer invited the young ladies to her home for a delightful dinner, afterwhich, through the courtesy of the Boys School the girls enjoyed tobogganing and skiing on the Ezekiell Dow hill.

Monday, February 26, 1934. Snow.

"Alas! how changed from the fair scene,
When the birds sang out their mellow lay,
And winds were soft, and woods were green,
And the song ceased not with the day."

Woods in Winter -
Longfellow.

These few lines are very descriptive of our present weather.

The Misses Frances Bryant and Jane Mustard returned to College this morning after a most enjoyable week-end.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, February 27, 1934. Pleasant.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
1807 – 1882.

Boston Post:– "This is Longfellow Day. The 127th anniversary of the birth of the beloved poet who wrote these timely lines in his "Psalm of Life"

Let us then, be up and doing
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.

Open Longfellow's book of poems almost anywhere at random on this 127th anniversary of his birth and you may find inspiration suited to the present crisis. For instance, the following lines from his "Building of the Ship:"

Sail on, O Ship of State!
Sail on, O Union, strong and great!
Humanity with all its fears,
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!

Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our tears,
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears
Are all with thee, are all with thee!"

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, February 28, 1934. Pleasant.

The travelling conditions are still very bad due to the added snow-flurries, and as yet not many people have dared to venture out of their own locality.

The Boston and Worcester buses are running on schedule again. They are travelling temporarily on Mr. Ford's new upper highway because the old post road is too narrowly ploughed.

Thursday, March 1, 1934. Pleasant.

The month of March was ushered in like a "lamb." Although there were no birds in evidence the atmosphere was typically that of spring.

Mrs. Bradbury has returned both rested and tanned from her sojourn in Florida, and has again resumed her position of senoir hostess.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, March 2, 1934. Pleasant.

DAUGHTER OF POET IS DEAD

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Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon in her Brattle st., Cambridge, home for Mrs. Annie Longfellow Thorp, daughter of the poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. She died yesterday at the age of 78.

She is survived by her five daughters, the Misses Alice and Anne Thorp, of Cambridge; Mrs. Robert Knowles, of Boston; Mrs. Arthur C. Smith, of Greenwich, Ct., and Mrs. Ellett M. deBerry, of Minneapolis, and by 10 grandchildren.

The youngest daughter of the famous poet, her relationship with her father was unusually close because of the loss of her mother when she was a very young child.

Mrs. Annie Longfellow Thorp, the "laughing Allegra" in the poem, "The Children's Hour," was the last survivor of the poet Longfellow's three daughters.

The grammar school children enjoyed their weekly dancing lessons this afternoon.
In the evening, the younger boys of the Boys School had their class at seven o'clock, and then the combined adult and senoir boys classes started at eight o'clock.
It is needless to say that these lessons have been a real success, all the classes having greatly improved in their dancing.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, March 3, 1934. Pleasant.

ANNIE THORP RITES LARGELY ATTENDED

Longfellow's Poem Is Read at Daughter's Funeral

Globe 3/3/34

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon for Annie Allegra Thorp, daughter of the poet Longfellow, at her home, 115 Brattle st, Cambridge. Cremation followed at the Mt Auburn Cemetery.

More than 200 relatives and friends of the family attended the services. Dean Willard L. Sperry of the Harvard Theological School officiated. A prayer, written by the late Dr Samuel Crothers of the First Parish Church, Cambridge, was read, as was a portion of her father's poem, "The Building of the Ship."

Mrs Thorp, whose husband, Joseph Gilbert Thorp, died in 1931, is survived by five daughters and 10 grandchildren.

"LAUGHING ALLEGRA"

The quiet services yesterday detached finally from human society the last survivor of an immortal poem. Grave Alice, Edith with the golden hair—and finally laughing Allegra— daughters of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, have departed.

While they lived the great poet did not seem so remote from us. Now—like all the immortals—he seems to have receded to those far Elysian fields. Only the soundless strokes of his lyre remain. Only a superb memorial, deathless as time itself, remains in "The Children's Hour." Post. 3/3/34

The historic old "hutch-table" in the center of the bar room, which has always been of special interest to our guests, has been temporarily removed. A crack developed on the surface of the table so that it was decided to store it away, awaiting Mrs. Ford's decision on its repair.

There was a noticeable increase in our patronage today, due most likely to the fact that the highways are clearing and returning to normal again.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, March 4. 1934. Gray.

The first real signs of spring this year were in evidence today. A great quantity of the remains of the past winter's snow rapidly melted to water from the heat of the sun and then disappeared from sight by joining a rivulet or brook. Countless squirrels were seen to scurry along the stonewalls that border the Post Road. These little creatures seemed extremely glad to be free once again, this probably accounting for their friendly and carefree attitude.

Although not exactly a sign of spring, it has been encouraging to watch the flock of pheasants that gather in the meadow back of the Inn regularly to partake of the corn which Mr. Coulter scatters around for them. The corn has been provided by the State for this purpose.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday, March 5, 1934. Pleasant.

Walking was made rather uncomfortable today because of the slush caused by the melting snow.

The Redstone and Southwest schools resumed classes today after a week's vacation.

A Mr. Klein arrived from Cambridge this evening to spend a few days at the Inn. Mr. Klein, a student at Harvard, recently completed a thesis, and is taking a rest here on the advice of his friends.

Tuesday, March 6, 1934. Pleasant.

A rather uneventful day came to a pleasant close when, as prearranged, a Mr. Ross and party of seven guests arrived from Boston to celebrate Mr. Ross' sixty-ninth birthday.
This same group enjoyed a similar party last January, celebrating on that occasion the seventy-first birthday of another member.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, March 7, 1934. Pleasant.

NEITHER FORD NOR FORDS! Back on October 17, 1901, Henry Ford, a mechanic and tinker who seemed to have some idea that those new-fangled automobiles would revolutionize transportation, had no idea that some day he would buy the old Wayside Inn at Sudbury. But the money from his cars made it possible. Here we see on October 17, 1901, James H. Hyde of New York, with his coach and guest riders, after a trip over the road from New York to Sudbury and the ancient inn. They were headed for Boston and they stopped for refreshments.

An interesting article taken from the Boston American of March 3, 1934.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, March 8, 1934. Cloudy, with snow.

Judging from this sudden change in weather today it apparently will not be safe to speak of spring again until we are certain that it is here.

The Post Road Unit of the National Farm and Garden Association held its yearly business meeting at the Inn this afternoon, approximately thirty members attending.
The election of officers for the fiscal year took place, and plans in general were discussed for the stimulating of interest in the unit.

Friday, March 9, 1934. Fair.

The grammar school children had their dancing lessons this afternoon, a weekly affair which has been made very enjoyable for the children through the efforts of their instructor Mr. Haynes.

The Boys School and the adult classes were held this evening. The second series of lessons are drawing to a close, there being but two remaining lessons.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, March 10, 1934. Snow.

Among our interesting visitors today were two missionary workers who had just returned to this country from India. They seemed very much intrigued with the Inn.

Miss de Mille has again commenced on her task of coloring the new wall paper that is on the walls at the entrance of the new dining room. The progress in this work is slow but the results are proving very satisfactory.

Mr. R. Blandy of Watertown arrived this evening to spend the week-end here. He has visited the Inn on several occasions but has only once before had the opportunity to remain overnight.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, March 11, 1934. Snow.

Transcript - March 10, 1934

Mr. Edward Huebener, president of the Dorchester Historical Society and noted antiquarian, who will be eighty years old in April, is best remembered, among many other exploits, for having found the original sign used on Mr. Henry Ford's "Wayside Inn." At the time every effort was being made to recover as much of the original furnishings of the tavern as possible, so that the news of the sign being discovered was the reason for a special trip to Boston by Mr. Ford. Prices were high in those days, but Mr. Ford paid Mr. Huebener's price, even though he was surprised at the size of it. The sign is now in Detroit, with a replica at Sudbury. Many people visiting the inn are apt to be confused, since it has not always been known as the Wayside Inn, Longfellow having been responsible for the acceptance of the name. The original name, or one of them, was "Howe's Tavern." Mr. Huebener has not heard the last of the check which Henry Ford made out to him, for it has been framed and preserved at the Chase National Bank in New York, along with another famous check from the automobile manufacturer—one is for $146,000,000, paid when Mr. Ford bought out the Dodge brothers' interest in his business; and the other is for one cent, the price which Mr. Huebener asked and received for the treasured signboard.

Winter weather continues. — Another rather heavy snow-fall last evening found the ground covered with approximately five inches of snow this morning.
Mr. Walker of Framingham, one of the Wayside Inn teamsters, hitched the "bays" to the small plough and in a short space of time cleared the roads on the estate making them passable for both our guests and the general public.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Monday, March 12, 1934. — Pleasant.

With the real cold weather apparently gone for another year, the snow that fell yesterday and any more that may fall will not really be much of a handicap since the heat will soon make it disappear.

At any other time of the year the appearance of a skunk would not, of course, cause any comment, but since people are noticing the different signs of spring the sight of one now is rather interesting. —
On her way to Dutton Lodge this noon a hostess espied one of these black and white striped creatures enjoying the sun in a field off Dutton road.

Travelling conditions are favorable once again, so Mr. Whitaker and Mr. Shannon of the Malden Motor Company have resumed their scheduled trips to the Inn. Today's trip was taken by a group of seven prominent ladies from Malden and Medford.
It is interesting to know that these agents have realized two car sales thus far from this unique method of illustrative salesmanship.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, March 13, 1934. Pleasant.

The Malden Motor salesmen drove another party of ladies to the Inn today.

Professor Schell and a party of seven Boston business men came to have dinner this evening, and as customary hold a meeting in the old kitchen. This group, which calls itself the "Wayside Inn Club" has been coming here regularly for nearly eight years.

Wednesday, March 14, 1934. Snow.

The weather this morning was very mild and pleasant, but a radical change took place in the afternoon when it snowed. The storm only amounted to a flurry, but it was a good reminder that although spring is near, it is not actually here.

Twin goats have been born at the Lamson barn. Although "twins", one is entirely white and the other is black. The "kids" are having callers regularly throughout the day.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, March 15, 1934. Pleasant.

Miss Agnes London, who has been in charge of the dining room department for the past nine years, returned today from a six weeks vacation, resuming her position of head waitress.

Plans are being made to increase the flocks of chickens on the estate. Mr. Curtis recently ordered five hundred White Rock chicks, which are to arrive on March 27, 1934. The White Rock poultry, according to all records, is the best laying of any in this section of the country.

The wood cutters are continuing to cut down the large pines that were effected by the forest fires a few years ago, and are hauling them to a saw-mill for cutting into lumber.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Friday, March 16. 1934. Pleasant.

In order to be "dressed-up" appropriately tomorrow, St. Patrick's day, a dozen potted St. Patrick plants were wrapped in green paper and ribbon, to be placed on the tables in the dining room in the morning.

The daily attendance at the Redstone School this past week was noticeably small, nearly half of the children absent because of sickness. Some simply contracted a cold while others were more seriously ill, with the measles.
Because of this small attendance, both of the grammar schools combined for their dancing lesson this afternoon.

The Boys School and adult dancing classes were held this evening. There is but one more lesson remaining in this second series of twelve.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, March 17, 1934. Pleasant.

Miss Helen Hurd, a resident hostess at the Inn, left for Boston this noon to take a boat for Richmond, Virginia where she plans to spend her month's vacation.

The dining room was very attractive today with its special green decorations for St. Patrick's day.

Mr. Coulter cut several branches of pussy-willows today from the lowland back of the Inn.

There have been enthusiastic reports from all who have visited the sixty-third annual flower show that is being held at Mechanics Hall in Boston. This afternoon a group of fifteen boys from the Boys School, (seniors, and boys interested in flowers) made the trip to the show in the school bus.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday. March 18. 1934. Pleasant.

The busy atmosphere that is always prevalent at the Inn during the summer season was in evidence today for the first time this year. According to the figures this evening, today's business was the best we have had since January 21, 1934. Eighty-five of the approximate one hundred and fifty guests who visited the Inn stayed for dinner.

Monday. March 19. 1934. Pleasant.

With the approach of spring and pleasant weather, thoughts are now turned to the reopening of the sun-porch dining room. The task of cleaning the white-painted woodwork and the many panes of glass was started today. The room will be ready for guests next Sunday.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday. March 20. 1934. Pleasant.

There has been a noticeable increase in the number of our dinner guests this week.

A large quantity of cabbage plants have been transplanted into boxes at the greenhouse, a preliminary step to planting them in frames.

Dr. Roger Etz of Boston, national secretary of the Universalist denomination and a member of the annual Universalist retreat that is held here, came out to the Inn this evening and gave an illustrated lecture to the Boys School and the employes of the estate. His subject, "The Making of a Movie", was well explained, Dr. Etz having actually visited the movie colony and taken the pictures that were projected.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Wednesday, March 21, 1934. Pleasant.

Self Vaccination Kills Chestnut Blight; Noble Trees Coming Back, Says Expert

Herald. March 19, 1934

Self-vaccinated chestnut trees, immune to the deadly blight which virtually wiped out every chestnut in New England 20 years ago, will bring back the magnificent trees in a few years, Prof. Walter H. Snell of Brown University announced last night in Providence.

During two decades nature has been providing the trees with an increasing store of an unknown immunizing substance, he said, and in recent years sprouts from the stumps of dead trees have attained vitality to withstand the blight from 10 to 20 years, reaching an age when they bear chestnuts before they succumb to the blight.

Scientists do not know the nature of the immunizing substance or how it has been developed; but the process and the result are identical with human use of antitoxins and serums for prevention of disease.

Professor Snell is working with the federal bureau of forest pathology, which has a laboratory at Brown University, in a study of the natural development of a method of immunization which has been known to man only a few years.

Sprouts persist in springing up from the stumps of dead trees, and year by year, as the immunizing agent becomes more potent, the sprouts are able to withstand the blight for increasingly longer periods.

Gathering chestnuts two decades ago was a favorite pastime of New England youngsters, but as a result of the blight, which was responsible for the loss of trees valued at millions of dollars, few living trees of bearing size can be found in New England today.

The village smithy which stood under the spreading chestnut tree in the words of the poem, has also vanished from New England, but the trees will return, according to Professor Snell.

This was officially the first day of spring, although the weather was rather chilly and uncertain.

Two of our guests today were from Japan. They were quite familiar about the Inn since they came here on a visit ten years ago as Japanese students.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, March 22, 1934. Cloudy.

Mr. Lee, caretaker of the flower gardens at the Inn during the summer, has returned to his work. He is temporarily located at the greenhouse.

Friday, March 23, 1934. Cold

A sudden cold spell last evening, with the temperature around zero, retarded the progress of spring, in regards to the soil.

The Redstone and Southwest Schools again combined as they did last week to hold their dancing class, because of the number of absentees from the Redstone caused by sickness.

The last lesson of the second series of dancing lessons for the adults and the Boys School was held this evening.

Miss Ellis and Mrs. Brink of Watertown arrived this evening to spend a few days resting at the Inn.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Saturday, March 24, 1934. Pleasant.

A group of nine small boys of St. Georges Boys Club of Auburn, a church club, had an enjoyable visit here today. Not only were the boys enthusiastic about the building but they were also interested in the knitting a hostess was doing, since a few of the group knitted scarfs this winter.

A honeymoon couple were among our overnight guests this evening.

Mr. Bowker of Worcester was host at an old kitchen dinner this evening, the affair a surprise birthday party for Mrs. Bowker. As prearranged, his six guests secluded themselves in the kitchen before Mrs. Bowker and he arrived. To make it a real surprise Mr. Bowker ordered two steak dinners as usual and waited to be paged. When paged he and Mrs. Bowker were told the dining room was filled to its capacity but that they could be served in the old kitchen. Mrs. Bowker was indeed genuinely surprised on entering the kitchen to see a group of friends standing around the room ready to congratulate her.

Stephen Gooch.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Sunday, March 25, 1934. Pleasant.

The boys, as they prepared to go to the recent flower show in Boston.

Today proved to be another busy Sunday, both in the dining room and the front of the building. Since of late, numerous parties have come to celebrate birthdays, it was not unusual to serve a birthday party today.

Mrs. Brink and Miss Ellis of Watertown who are spending a few days at the Inn, invited their families out for dinner today and entertained them by showing them the points of interest on the estate.

Wayside Inn Journal.
Monday. March 26. 1934. Rain.

The above view was late in being printed. It is a good reminder of the past winter, and from all forecasts, we may expect to have this scene duplicated next winter.

The Greyline tourist depot at the Hotel Brunswick, Boston sent out a party of five sightseers this afternoon. During the summer this line makes daily trips out to the Inn.

Wayside Inn Journal.

Tuesday, March 27, 1934. Rain.

The Malden Motor Company salesmen drove out a party of sixteen ladies this afternoon to see the Inn and to have tea in conjunction with their "demonstrative campaign."

Ten young men stopped to see the building late this evening. They were a junior college group from the Early Creek Community Center, Pippapass, Kentucky.

Wednesday, March 28, 1934. Rain.

The Malden Motor Company entertained another party of ladies, this time a group of nineteen.

The students of the Boys School came down to rehearse their hymns this evening for the Easter service which is to be held at the Inn next Sunday.

School children have been prominent among our visitors this week, this week being a vacation for many of the Boston schools.

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Wayside Inn Journal.

Thursday, March 29, 1934. Pleasant.

A few of the goats at the Lamson barn.

Mr. Edward Filene of Weston, one of the owners of the large Filene Department Store in Boston, came out to have dinner this evening, accompanied by his secretary. We were interested to learn that Mr. Filene was a member of the Paint and Clay Club that met here in the late eighteen hundreds. A picture of this club at one of its meetings is now in the flower hallway of the Inn.

Wayside Inn Journal.
Friday, March 30, 1934. Pleasant.

BLIND ORPHAN HAS 35 SISTERS

Given Vacation With Girls' Club

Post - March 30, 1934

MARLBORO, March 29—Bereft of parents and blind since infancy, Kyriaki Nicolau, a 17-year-old native of Greece, has suddenly found herself with 35 sisters. These girls, known as the Queens of Alvalon, Court Camelot have adopted Kyriaki and are entertaining her during her week's vacation from the Perkins Institution for the Blind.

She is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Burton S. Lippard of Edinboro street and was presented to her new sisters at a party at the home of Mrs. Helen Davis, 28 Berkeley street. A schedule has been arranged which will keep the young guest busy every moment, each girl taking her turn as hostess.

The only mother Kyriaki has ever known has been the Near East Orphanage at Athens, Greece, for her parents were victims of a massacre in Turkey when she was an infant. Miss Eleanor Mildon, organizer of the Queens, visited the orphanage several years ago. Kyriaki lived there then but little dreamed that some day they would be so closely identified.

Officials of the home, believing Kyriaki to be a child of promise, interested a woman in sponsoring her education at the Perkins Institution for the Blind but on the death of her benefactress, her will left no provision for completing the work.

This business of adopting girls has become a habit with the Queens, for they had already adopted two others, so they promptly decided to assume new obligations in bringing happiness to the girl whom many believe will be a second Hellen Keller.

The girl could not speak English when she came here a little more than two years ago but she speaks fluently and types correctly now; she is studying the piano and sings in the glee club besides being very clever with her hands, weaving and sewing exceptionally well.

Miss Margaret Ryan, who is located at the Inn office, is a member of Court Camelot. She arranged a visit to the Inn today for Kyriaki Nicolau.

There were no dancing classes today, it being Good Friday.

Wayside Inn Journal.
Saturday, March 31, 1934 Rain.

A group of sixteen young ladies enjoyed a trip through the Inn this afternoon. They registered as Mrs. Ayer's Sunday School Class from Newton Centre.

Prospects of a real busy day were spoiled by showers of rain this afternoon. The rain was very disheartening to everyone, especially those who planned on wearing their Easter finery tomorrow.

The Boys School held a final rehearsal this evening for the Easter service tomorrow.

Stephen Gooch.